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## Crawley's pen shaped foreign missions work

By Art Toalston

RICHMOND, Va. (BP) — Winston Crawley is leaving a paper trail at the Foreign Mission Board.

His, however, isn't a trail of tedious, irksome memos. It's some of the most important writing in the recent history of Southern Baptist missionary work.

In one colleague's words, the longtime administrator has helped Baptists committed to missions examine "who we have been in the past, how we got there, and what direction this would seem to point to in the future."

Crawley, a native of Newport, Tenn., is retiring Aug. 25. "We'll miss him," colleagues say in an uneasy, who-will-fill-his-shoes tone of voice.

During his 40-year career at the board, Crawley has seen others' shoes filled in more-than-adequate fashion. Using words not original with him, he smiles, "The cemeteries are full of indispensable people."

Not that Crawley plans to retire to one. He anticipates three years of teaching, beginning this fall with a year at Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth.

And he is writing a book on the Bible and missions strategy. He has written two others in recent years, "Global Mission," explaining Southern Baptists' approach to foreign missions, and "Partners Across the Pacific," chronicling Baptist work in China.

*God's call: "a road I follow not knowing what turns will be ahead."*

"Global Mission" has become required reading in seminary missions classes and has won attention in other Christian circles. One Presbyterian thinker said the book, even with its Southern Baptist orientation, is "one of the most valuable introductions to missiology you can find."

One of the closing paragraphs typifies Crawley's outlook: "Churches do not exist to maintain themselves or to serve themselves, but as a great

base for outreach to the world. What gives Baptist churches and conventions their highest significance is their global mission thrust."

Crawley has written a column in the Foreign Mission Board's magazine, *The Commission*, since 1981, and it will continue at least through this year.

He also is in the midst of a 10-part series on key chapters in Southern Baptist foreign missions history. Other articles have appeared in an array of publications.

Colleagues have accorded him such informal designations as a "walking encyclopedia," a "scholar-in-residence" and an "architect for missions."

Not one to bask in admiration, Crawley simply explains he has been with the board "long enough" to have "dealt with a lot of different things."

He has been the board's vice president for planning since 1980. And he directed the board's overseas division from 1968 to 1980, a period when the number of missionaries increased 32 percent, from 2,277 to 3,010, and the number of mission fields jumped 42 percent, from 67 countries to 95. Overseas churches, baptisms, and overall membership more than doubled during his tenure.

He was the board's secretary for the Orient from 1954 to 1968, when that area's missionary force soared from 294 to 748. Work was initiated in five additional countries and the number of Baptists and churches in the Orient nearly quadrupled.

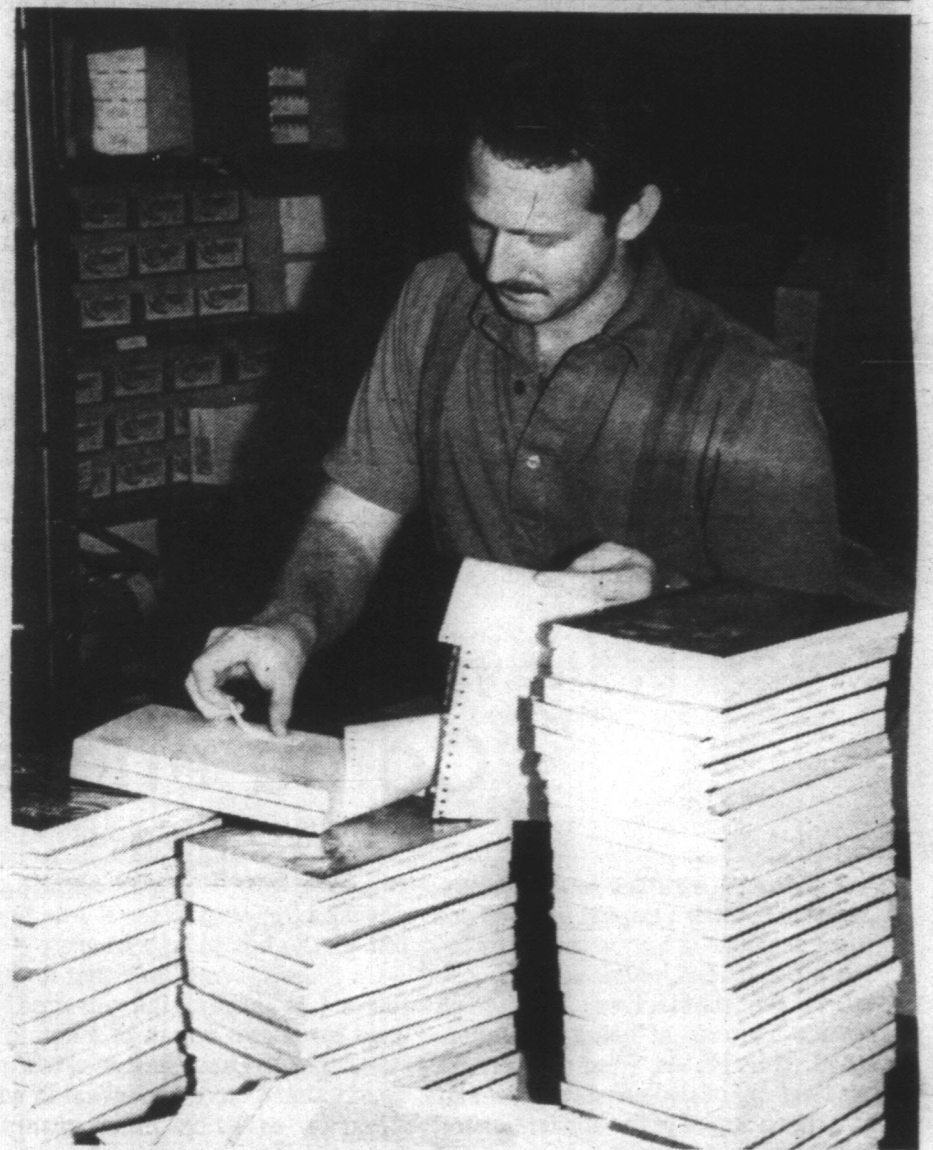
Crawley and his wife, Margaret, went to China as missionaries in 1947.

After 14 months of language study in Beijing (Peking), they faced the trauma of moving elsewhere when communist forces rose to power. The couple relocated in the Philippines, where he did evangelistic work in the Chinese community there. He later taught at the Philippine Baptist Theological Seminary.

"My sense of call had been specifically to China. We were expecting to spend our lives there," he remembers. But as it became clear that China's doors were closing, Crawley realized he had equated God's call with a blueprint.

But God's call is more like "a road I follow not knowing what turns will be ahead. God used that as a way of leading me down the road . . . to sharing the gospel with the nations."

Art Toalston writes for the FMB.



The bulk mailing room at Mississippi College is a busy place just before the beginning of a school session. Chris Harbin, a student from Brazil, is placing address labels on catalogs, class schedules and other informative brochures that will be helpful to the students when they arrive on campus.

## Lawrence County group helps Paiutes in Nevada

The Paiute Indians of Schurz, Nevada, received help from Lawrence County Baptists toward the construction of a new church building this summer. With the leadership of William J. Nelson, associational missions development director, eight men flew to Nevada in June to do the work.

The slab had been poured for the Walker River Baptist Church at Schurz before the men arrived. Their assignment was to erect the frame and finish as much of the exterior walls and roofing as possible during a five-day period. This was completed including window installation and all trim work, putting in electrical outlets, and pulling the electrical wiring into place.

Since the Lawrence County group did their work, two other groups have been to Schurz and finished the project. Those going with the Lawrence

Association team were: W. J. Nelson, Lavern Lambert, Arthur Neal, Charley Turnage, Harold Jackson, Burt Jackson, Sonny Magee and Randy Easterling.

Nelson reports that "we stayed with the church members who are Paiute Indians. They fed us sumptuously, and four men from the church worked with us."

Lawrence Baptist Association has been active in mission work in this area of Nevada since 1980. Originally assistance was given to the Walker Lake Baptist Church in construction work and Vacation Bible School programs. This church sponsored the beginning of the Walker River Baptist Church among the Indians through the inspiration received from Mississippians at work in their community.



Sandra Cheatwood of Ashland, Blue Mountain student, takes a look through the microscope.



# Editorials . . . by Don McGregor

## Christian education's value

The value of Christian education is the subject matter of a major part of this issue of the Baptist Record. To a great extent the material has been prepared by those education entities that are found mentioned in this paper, and it is the desire of the Baptist Record to call the attention of the reader to the material and ask that it be given complete attention.

Mississippi Baptists offer outstanding Christian education through their educational institutions. The three colleges are Blue Mountain at Blue Mountain; Mississippi College, with headquarters in Clinton; and William Carey College, with headquarters in Hattiesburg. Clarke College at Newton is a division of Mississippi College. There are also classroom activities at the Mississippi Baptist Medical Center in Jackson. The reader will find material on all of these institutions in this issue.

To be effective, Christian education must stand on a par with that to be found in secular institutions. And then it must offer something more. It must make education available in a Christian setting and atmosphere.

That is what is to be found at Mississippi's Baptist institutions.

For those, however, who feel that it is more practical to attend a secular institution, there is a Baptist presence at those schools to make the Baptist student's time there more meaningful. It is the Baptist Student Union. It is the wise Baptist student who seeks out this organization on his campus, because it offers him a place to go to find a Christian atmosphere and to find fellowship with other Baptists. The Mississippi Baptist Department of Student Work is also featured in this issue. This is the department that coordinates the work of the Baptist

Student Unions on both Baptist and secular campuses.

And, of course, at this time Mississippi Baptists are heavily involved in a campaign to raise \$40 million that will provide much-needed endowment funds for both the education institutions and the Children's Village. As Mississippi Baptists are reading this issue to familiarize themselves with their education institutions, it would be well to consider what their responses should be to the endowment campaign. Increasing the endowment at the schools will add a great deal of quality to the education that is to be found there.

Baptists in Mississippi are heavily involved in Christian education. This issue of the Baptist Record is our annual attempt to help our readers become more familiar with the education process that they are sponsoring through their institutions.

## Guest opinion . . .

### "Come and see"

By J. Keith Garriss

Labeling is a rather routine occurrence in Southern Baptist life, and one must decide to use or be abused by the system. When individuals choose labels for themselves, they often reduce the risk of being misunderstood. Thus stated, I am an inerrantist fundamentalist conservative, and have been active in the convention for eight years. I also am tenaciously loyal to the SBC and a student at Southern Seminary. It is from this platform that I speak concerning my seminary experience at Southern.

Bringing my books autographed by Patterson, Stanley, B. R. Lakin, John Rawlins, and E. J. Daniels, I arrived at Southern (the school I said I would never attend). No professor or student was allowed to speculate my position; I made certain they knew it. Suffering from "martyr syndrome," I attended classes and chapel with an argumentative, critical spirit. The following experiences are indicative of what I found my first year at Southern. (1) Instead of resisting me, instructors asked me to make fundamentalist/conservative presentations to the class. (2) When doing an exegesis on Balaam's speaking donkey, I informed the professor that I believed the historicity of such passages. He said, "That's all right, begin where you are and deal with the text." (3) I even found Dale Moody and told him that I was from a fundamentalist background. To my surprise he said loudly, "That's the best background

to come from!" I was stunned. I checked the map to see if I had gotten off the bus in Lynchburg.

On record, I must say that no professor has intimidated, insulted, or used me as an object of ridicule in class, though I have deserved it often. To say that I have been treated with integrity leaves too much unsaid. I have not been treated, I have been received; there is a difference. I have not been shown integrity but rather love in abundance.

Therefore, I extend an invitation to all who would endure rigorous academic demands to acquire one of the finest theological educations offered where, when one has been in-

troduced to a wide spectrum of theology, one may be encouraged and rewarded for a theology as conservative as he or she chooses.

I realize that there will be those who refuse to believe even when confronted with insurmountable evidence. Unfortunately, like me, these confuse skepticism with fundamentalism. Thus, in lieu of the blatant mistrust prevailing throughout our convention, I can only join in the chorus sung by Nathaniel, the angel at the empty tomb, and the Samaritan woman: "Come and see!"

J. Keith Garriss, a native of South Carolina, is a student at Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

## Texas attorney general Mattox clarifies Bible chair ruling

DALLAS (BP) — Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox underscored the potential constitutionality of Bible chairs at state universities in an Aug. 5 letter to the associate general counsel of the University of Texas system.

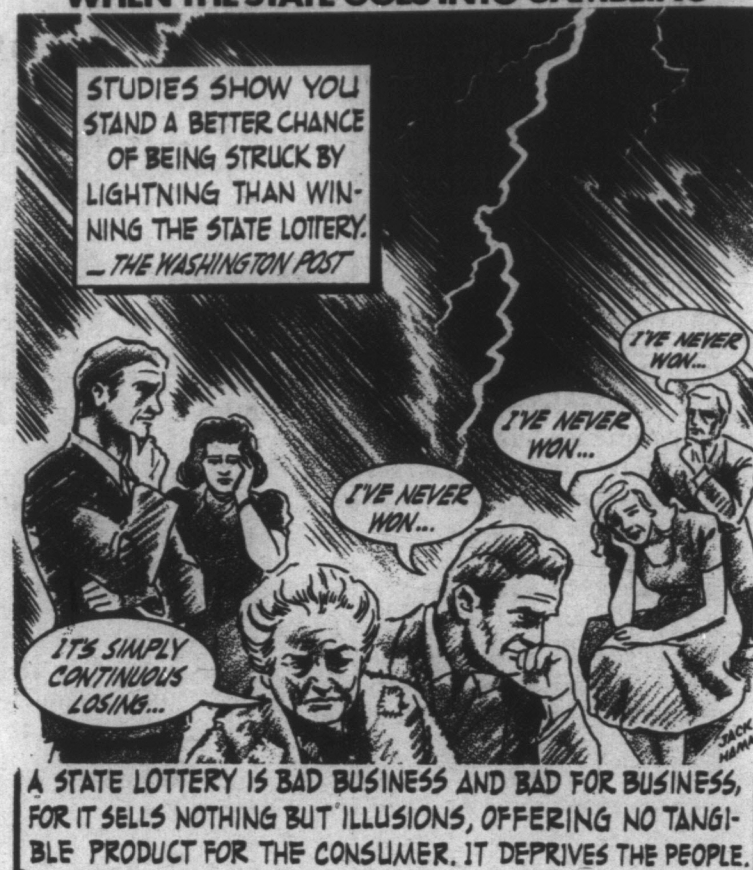
The letter emphasizes the value of the study of religion at state colleges and universities, and it stresses that state institutions of higher education may grant elective credit for religion courses tied to religious organizations as long as those courses are structured "within constitutional

guidelines."

UT system officials had announced July 22 that UT campuses in Austin, Arlington, and El Paso would drop any official connection with Bible courses taught by instructors paid or selected by religious groups, including Baptist Student Unions. University system spokesmen said transfer credits would be limited to religious studies courses offered by accredited institutions.

Subsequently, Texas Tech University at Lubbock announced Aug. 5 that it is also dropping Bible courses of-

## WHEN THE STATE GOES INTO GAMBLING



## Lottery not needed

Texas seems to have maneuvered successfully around the lottery question for the moment. Instead the Legislature approved a tax increase.

That makes much more sense. A tax increase is a sure way to more income. Lottery is a gamble any way you look at it. The players gamble on winning — if they play. The Legislature gambles that they will play — and they might not.

Besides, it makes more sense to get the needed extra money from realizing just a bit from everyone rather than expecting just a few people, relatively, to cough up enough money to maybe win a few bucks (or maybe even a lot of money); pay all of the administrative expenses that go with a lottery, including the profits that those who operate the lottery must have in order to stay in business; and have some left over so that the state can collect enough in tax money to make it all worthwhile.

The worthwhileness of a lottery is subject to question in that gambling in any form seems to attract all sorts of people who recognize that gambling is a form of greed, and they play on the greed of the gamblers in order to further their own interests. In other

words, if gambling is legalized in order to let people do it without being beyond the law, there are still going to be those who will use it lawlessly to make big profits for themselves.

Then, of course, it must be recognized that lottery, thought to be the most innocuous form of gambling, would simply be a foot in the door for other, more devastating forms.

Lottery, also, is not as innocuous as its proponents would have us believe. It was said of Robin Hood that he robbed the rich to help the poor. Lottery reverses that procedure and robs the poor to help the rich. There are a few people who win big, but very few. It has to be that way. Not as much money is paid to bettors as goes into the system by any means because of the administrative and profit needs and the taxes that are supposed to accrue. And the people who don't need money are not the ones who buy the lottery tickets. They are those whose financial condition is not good and who hope to change all of that in one stroke who buy the tickets. So the money comes out of the pockets of the poor and goes into the profits of the operators.

The people who promote lottery or gambling of any sort are not trying to help the state taxes, though that is likely what their pitch would be; but rather they are trying to set up a system to make more money for themselves.

So Texas has escaped the wiles of the lottery proponents for another attempt next year to legalize lottery in Mississippi. Let us hope that our Legislature will be as wise as that of Texas.

We don't need lottery either.

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# Haitians pray more as violence increases

Eric Miller

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (BP) — Amid increasing violence and killings church attendance in Haiti is high and many people are praying constantly, two Southern Baptist missionaries have reported.

Roadblocks, rock throwing, tire burnings, smashing of car windows, butchering of people, and the gunning down of protesters started in late June as anti-government groups instigated strikes calling for a three-man governing council to step down from office. Strikers are calling for a general election to choose a new council.

"There's constant prayer, and it's more fervent than ever because of not having a job and people killing people, and their neighbors are dying and all kinds of crazy things," said Southern Baptist missionary Mark Rutledge a few hours after hearing gunfire in the streets July 29. Eight

people had been shot to death by soldiers that day.

Non-Christians are "always asking for prayer now," he added. "There's a tendency for people here to ask you to pray for them — and I mean the stranger on the street." Rutledge has prayed with some and gotten them interested in going back to church.

Rutledge and his wife, Peggy, who arrived in Haiti this year, are the only Southern Baptist missionaries in the country now. Southern Baptist missionaries Jack and Doris Hancox, who have spent nine years in Haiti, left July 26 for furlough.

"The Lord is the only hope Haitians have," he added. "It's certainly not in politics, the Communists, or the Americans or anybody else."

Eric Miller writes for the Foreign Mission Board.

## Educators organize for volunteer mission work

By Jim Burton

GLORIETA, N.M. (BP) — The National Fellowship of Baptist Men has formed an ad hoc steering committee to organize Baptist educators for volunteer missions service, according to Mississippian Larry Cox, associate director of the organization.

Hal Buchanan, former dean of education and director of teacher training at Delta State University in Mississippi, was elected volunteer coordinator.

He will direct the process of creating bylaws, developing strategies, and electing officers for the National Fellowship of Baptist Educators.

"The purpose is to try to harness the capabilities of Baptist educators who have a zeal for the missionary spirit that Jesus Christ gave to us in Matthew 28:18-20," said Buchanan.

The educator's fellowship will seek members from all areas of education. "This is for those who have the gift of

teaching and want to use it is a missions opportunity," said Cox.

"There is a broadness in terms of who this reflects because it reflects everybody from the seminary level to the Vacation Bible School volunteer," added Ed Bullock, National Fellowship of Baptist Men executive director.

Fellowship as well as mission action will be an important aspect of this new project, Cox said, noting Southern Baptist educators who do not work for Southern Baptist schools do not have an outlet for fellowship.

Buchanan helped organize the Mississippi Educator's Fellowship and currently is its project director. Mississippi is the only state to have an organized fellowship for Baptist educators. The state Brotherhood Department coordinates the work of about a dozen ministry-fellowships.

The potential for an educator's (Continued on page 11)

## Blue Mountain welcomes new student director

Blue Mountain College has welcomed Tracy Simmons as new Baptist Student Union director. Tracy is a recent graduate of Southwestern Seminary where she earned a master of arts in religious education. She is also a graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi with a bachelor of music education degree. Her vocational background includes children's choir director at Travis Avenue Church, Ft. Worth; director of outreach ministry teams, University of Texas at Arlington Baptist Student Union where she directed the music ensemble and coordinated concert schedules and



conducted the singers. She was summer youth director, at First Church, Los Alamos, N.M., and she has served as the music director of Trinity First Church, Waynesboro, Miss.

The BSU fall plans include a retreat on Aug. 27-29 at Darden Lake for the training of the 1987-88 executive council student leaders for the year ahead of them. "You Can Be You Through BSU" will be the Welcome Back Party theme on Aug. 31 for all students.

Additionally, the state BSU Convention will be held in Jackson, Sept. 25-27 and Mission Emphasis Week will be Oct. 19-23, both of which are opportunities to grow and meet new and interesting people. Oct. 30-Nov. 1 is the weekend scheduled for the annual BSU Fall Retreat. James Lewis will be the guest speaker.

## EDUCATION ISSUE



William Carey College nursing students practice their healing skills at Southern Baptist Hospital. Carey's school of nursing

has been located at the New Orleans based hospital since its beginning in 1970.

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## WMU centennial celebration is expected to draw 10,000

By Karen Benson

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — At least 10,000 Southern Baptist adults and older youth are expected to attend the 100th birthday celebration of the national Woman's Missionary Union, an auxiliary organization to the Southern Baptist Convention.

The two-day event, called the "WMU Centennial Celebration," will be held May 13-14, 1988, in Richmond, Va., WMU's founding site. Activities will be held in the Richmond Coliseum and the Richmond Centre complex.

WMU officials have invited every Southern Baptist association to send one "official representative" from the association to the Centennial Celebration. In addition, almost every state WMU office has organized bus or plane tours to the Richmond festivities. Other churches and associations also are planning group tours.

Activities will begin with registration at 10 a.m. Friday, May 13, and conclude with a joint commissioning service for home and foreign missionaries during the 8-10 p.m. assembly on Saturday, May 14.

It is believed that the Saturday evening assembly will be the first time the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board and Home Mission Board have jointly commissioned newly appointed missionaries.

Activities will include a "Celebration in the Park" on Friday afternoon

featuring strolling musicians, mimes, clowns, in old-fashioned picnic supper and a centennial quilt-judging contest, among many other outdoor festivities.

Participants are encouraged to wear period costumes during the "Celebration in the Park" festivities from any era they choose from 1888 to 1988. Period dress also is appropriate throughout the entire Centennial Celebration, according to WMU officials.

WMU officials have invited every Southern Baptist Association to send one "official representative."

Four general assemblies will be offered during the two-day extravaganza and will feature testimonies by home and foreign missionaries; speeches by WMU leaders, both past and present; dramatic presentations; concerts; a flag procession; and an indoor parade.

The Saturday afternoon assembly, to be held from 2-4 p.m. (EDT), will be broadcast live over the Baptist Telecommunication Network. Prior to the live broadcast, a taped review of the Friday and Saturday morning activities will be shown from 1:30-2 p.m. (EDT).

Associational WMU leaders have been asked to sponsor a viewing site for the broadcast and to plan celebration activities of their own, centered around the Saturday afternoon broadcast, for those who cannot attend the Richmond celebration.

A special feature of the Centennial Celebration will be "Celebration Hall," spotlighting historical exhibits and displays and hands-on history experiences. Contributing to Celebration Hall will be SBC agencies; Southern Baptist colleges, universities and seminaries; Baptist historical societies; local historical societies; and WMU organizations from almost every state convention.

Registration for the Centennial Celebration opens Dec. 1, 1987. Registration and housing forms will be available in the December 1987 issues of WMU's Royal Service and Contempo magazines and in the January-February-March 1988 issue of WMU's Dimension magazine.

The national WMU was organized in Richmond during a meeting May 11-14, 1888, at the Broad Street Methodist Church. During that same time, the Southern Baptist Convention was meeting at the First Baptist Church.

For more information about the Centennial Celebration, interested persons may write: Communications Group, WMU, SBC, P. O. Box C-10, Birmingham, AL, 35283-0010.



# MC will open August 22 with record enrollment

By Norman Gough

Exuberant excitement is permeating the Mississippi College campus from the president on down as the 161-year old stalwart of Christian higher education prepares for yet another year in its academic journey.

There is real reason for the exuberance, too, as the institution makes ready for its 162nd year of service and leadership to the Baptist denomination, the community, the state, and the nation.

When the college swings open its doors on Saturday, Aug. 22, for the arrival of freshmen students all indications point toward a record enrollment. This one fact is enough to make any educational institution swell with pride, particularly when other schools seem to be faltering, but there are still other factors fanning the fire of excitement.

As Lewis Nobles, college president, states it, "There is an excitement in our recruitment program that exceeds anything I have witnessed since I came to the college 19 years ago."

"Last year we aggressively recruited National Merit Scholars and enrolled a greater number than any other college in the state. We also enrolled 19 Presidential Scholars and changes were made in our faculty advising system which put a faculty member in touch with each prospective student very soon after the application was received so that a friendship might be cultivated even before the student arrived on campus," wrote Nobles in his year-end letter to donors and supporters.

This personal contact and individual attention is paying off again for the upcoming school session. The 1987 entering class will include 17 National Merit finalists with an average ACT Score of 31, more than 15

Presidential Scholars whose ACT is 29 or above, STAR students and valedictorians, outstanding athletes, and missionary kids from Taiwan to Ghana.

"Events of the past two or three years have been so progressive because of a committed team of quality administrators, faculty, staff, and students that it now appears that the 1987-88 session may well be one of unprecedented growth in terms of financial and other support, in new student enrollment, in national prominence for academic excellence, and in new opportunities for service and leadership to our denomination and other areas," wrote Nobles in his report.

"While statisticians may agree that the whole is equal to the sum of its parts, from the perspective of a college president, I submit that the whole is much, much greater than what is obtained merely by putting all the parts together, and a synergistic effect is achieved," continued Nobles.

"In the instance of Mississippi College, the whole represents a 'harmony' of all the parts — perhaps a unique situation in which each entity works with every other entity toward the lofty goal of making Mississippi College the best institution of Christian higher education in the nation," Nobles said.

"When your leader — in this instance Dr. Nobles — is excited then it permeates in a trickling down effect through the administration faculty, staff, students, and all employees," said a longtime member of the administration.

How can a president help getting excited when the books were closed on May 31 and figures indicated that for the 55th consecutive year the college had operated "in the black?"

How can a president help getting excited when for the fifth consecutive year total gifts to the college surpassed the \$3 million mark? In fact, the 1986-87 gifts have surpassed the \$3.5 million figure.

How can a president help getting excited when pledges to the Mississippi Mission unified campaign for Baptist higher education and child care in Mississippi have exceeded the \$25 million figure? Mississippi College will receive approximately 50 percent of the Mississippi Mission gifts under a formula approved by the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

How can a president help getting excited when his institution continues to rank in the top eight percent of all private colleges in the United States in the number of its graduates who later earn the doctorate in the research field? The National Research Council did a study of 839 private senior colleges and Mississippi College not only ranked highest in the state, but it is exceeded by only two Baptist institutions and three non-Baptist colleges in the entire South.

How can a president help getting excited when his institution's pre-dental students continue to lead the state in dental aptitude scores? Too, Mississippi College School of Law students have passed the bar ex-

aminations at a rate well above the national average and nursing students in the School of Nursing have a cumulative success rate of 97 percent through the history of the school in passing the State Board Exams on the first attempt.

Truly, there are a lot of things to get excited about at Mississippi College and the institution is proud to share its accomplishments with its Baptist constituency.

Mrs. Jennifer Trussell, director of admissions, and her entire admissions office staff, believe that much of the success now being enjoyed by Mississippi College can be attributed to the renewed emphasis being placed on Baptist young people.

"High schools and high school counselors are a prime source of prospects, but those of us at Mississippi College feel that the Baptist young people of this state are OUR responsibility and we have been seeking to inform them of the opportunities and alternatives available to them," said Trussell.

To this end, she and her admissions counselors have been in constant contact with pastors and youth directors throughout the state, seeking their assistance in alerting Baptist students to the programs available at Mississippi College. Counselors have also attended every youth conference at the Gulfshore Baptist Assembly during the summer months.

Persistence and contacts are paying off, too. The Admissions Office report as of Aug. 1 showed an increase in applications up approximately 25 percent over last year. Trussell indicated that the daily mail is continuing to bring in more applications and walk-in applications have increased as deadline time approaches.

Quality as well as quantity has also shown an increase. The average ACT score for entering freshmen of 1987 is 22, meaning Mississippi College enrollees are well above the national average and far outscore the Mississippi ACT average. A recent letter to Nobles from Richard A. Boyd pointed out the fact that Mississippi College ranked second in the state among all institutions in the number of Robert Byrd Scholars who had accepted \$1,500 scholarships. The average ACT score for the scholars is 30.14 and Mississippi College landed ten of them, top among private colleges and second only to Mississippi State.

During the past academic year, 46 of Mississippi's 82 counties were represented in the student body. There was also representation from 21 of the 50 states and from two foreign countries. Of the students who declared their major, the College of Arts and Sciences was top with 35 percent, the School of Business second with 27 percent, followed by the School of Education with 15 percent, the School of Law with 11 percent, and the School of Nursing with nine percent.

## Orientation

Activity at the campus in Clinton will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Aug.

22, as freshmen residence halls open their doors to officially begin the 162nd academic session. After a morning of "moving in" the actual orientation of new students will begin at 1 p.m. on Saturday in the Provine Chapel. The first general session for students and their parents is set for 1:30 p.m. and will feature comments from top administrators as well as Student Body Association leaders.

At 2:30 p.m. the students will begin their academic advising sessions as they delve into class scheduling with assistance of experienced advisors. The parents and students will be guests of the college for dinner starting at 4:45 p.m. in the main dining room of the B. C. Rogers Student Center.

The first-year enrollees will get an introduction to campus life and have the opportunity of meeting informally with student leaders in an evening session starting at 6 p.m. entitled "Life on Campus." The busy Saturday will close out with a scavenger hunt and ice cream social starting at 7:30 p.m.

Attendance at church services at the various churches throughout the greater Jackson-Clinton area will be the order of the day for Sunday, with special services being planned at Morrison Heights Baptist Church in the morning and First Baptist Church of Clinton in the evening.

From 2:30-4:30 p.m. on Sunday the students will be guests of honor at a reception in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Lewis Nobles.

Freshmen and transfers will continue orientation on Monday, Aug. 24, with transfers congregating at 8:30 a.m. in Provine Chapel and freshmen at 9 a.m. in Nelson Auditorium. This will be followed by more academic advising and preparation of class schedules throughout the day. A Baptist Student Union program starting at 6 p.m. will acquaint the newcomers with the BSU activities and at 8 p.m.



Mrs. Carolyn Hand has recently joined the Administrative staff as associate dean of students (women) at Mississippi College. Assigning rooms to women students is just one of her many duties. Mrs. Hand looks over the list of students who have indicated they would be living in one of the four women's residence halls on campus.

they will meet in their orientation group sessions.

## Registration

All orientation sessions lead up to actual registration which gets underway at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 25, as transfer students begin the matriculation process. At 1 p.m. freshmen will begin registering, reporting in time segments alphabetically according to the first letter of their last name.

The schedule will be: A-G, from 1-2 p.m.; H-P, from 2-3 p.m.; Q-Z, from 3-4 p.m. All registration will take place in the Student Center following the steps as outlined in the orientation sessions.

Upperclassmen will start the registration procedure on Wednesday, Aug. 26, at 9 a.m. according to the following schedule: SENIORS — A-L, 9-10 a.m.; M-Z, 10-11 a.m.; JUNIORS — A-L, 1-1:45 p.m.; M-Z, 1:45-2:30 p.m.; SOPHOMORES — A-L, 2:30-3 p.m.; M-Z, 3-3:30 p.m.

Graduate and undergraduate students attending Evening School only will register in the Student Center on Monday, Aug. 24, from 5-7 p.m. Necessary forms may be picked up in the foyer of Nelson Hall prior to reporting for actual registration in the Student Center. Evening School registration is also scheduled for

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Tom Prather, assistant to the president in financial aid, and Mrs. Carol Little, records clerk in financial aid, review applications and award letters for scholarships for the 1987-1988 school session. Financial aid plays an important role in the life of every student at the College.



The Public Relations Office has just received new photographic equipment for making student identification cards. Norman H. Gough, director of public relations, explains the use of the camera and cutter to Mrs. Louise Hudson, assistant in public relations. They will be making student IDs for all full time students during registration.



# Churches will assist at Carey's opening

William Carey College's Hattiesburg campus opens its doors to incoming freshmen and transfer students Sunday afternoon with several local churches of Lebanon Baptist Association assisting. Some churches will serve refreshments, others will have able-bodied members carry suitcases into dorms, and all will underscore how welcome the students are in their places of worship.

A reception and orientation session for both students and parents highlight the afternoon in which the role of parents will be emphasized. Parents will be given schedules of concerts, plays, lecture series, ball games, and religious activities of the semester and urged to attend as often as possible.

The fall calendar will be quite full, for students, parents, the Hattiesburg community, the Baptist constituency, and others. The evening of the first day of registration, Aug. 25, there will be an outdoor concert on the patio of Wilkes Hall by "Morning Star," a contemporary Christian group. Carey students themselves will demonstrate their talents with honors recitals and talent shows later in the week.

The four social clubs on campus stage their Rush Week with a whirl of activities in early September, while

the entire college devotes Sept. 14-17 to a significant part of its heritage, Missions Emphasis Week. Missionaries will speak in chapel and in various campus organizations throughout the week. Students who were summer missionaries will share their experiences and groundwork will be laid for sending mission groups from the campus for the next year.

Early October finds Carey students going into Hattiesburg neighborhoods with backyard Bible clubs. In addition to the traditional student-led revival, there will be a revival led by an off-campus spiritual leader. This year the students have chosen Harry Lucenay, pastor of Hattiesburg's Temple Baptist Church as leader, Oct. 12-15.

Another Christian musical group comes to campus in October, the highly-acclaimed 16-member "Eternity." For variety, a November concert will feature "Opera to Broadway" in Smith Auditorium.

Three theatrical productions appear on campus in the fall semester plus a madrigal dinner and concerts by other Carey performance groups. Lecture series promise to attract off-campus participants as well as Carey students. For the sports-minded, intercollegiate baseball, basketball (men and women), tennis, and soccer plus intramural softball, canoeing,

and aerobics should satisfy one's appetite.

Chapel programs include Russell Bush, Frank Gunn, singer Mitch Rayburn of Nashville, the duet Brad and Tammy Jones of Meridian, the duet Beverly Thames and Charlie Ray of Hattiesburg, and the Covenant Players of Houston.

Not surprisingly, the semester concludes almost as it began, with an emphasis on missions. The last week before final exams will be Foreign Missions Week, focusing on Southern Baptist missions around the world and including a study of the contributions of William Carey, the father of modern missions.

Surely one can detect from this brief forecast of the fall semester at Carey that all of the activities mentioned are extracurricular. The core of the college is its academic program, in the class rooms, the laboratories, and study tours. The extracurricular activities give that added dimension to a college education that is the very essence of student development.

New students have been advised by Carey's office of student development to be sure to have plenty of rest before arriving on campus. A look at the schedule suggests that the time of their lives awaits them.

## Summer missionaries serve in U.S., abroad

HATTIESBURG, Miss. — Four William Carey College students served as Baptist Student Union missionaries for the summer.

Susan Ballard, a Carthage native, worked in New York City. Her duties included working with youth and assisting with inner-city ministries. She graduated from Carey in May with a degree in elementary education.

Penni Brown, another May elementary education graduate, served in South Korea. The Bogue Chitto native led sports camps during the day and

helped conduct evangelistic services at night. She was part of a five-member team from Mississippi.

Kim Graham, a senior music therapy major from Picayune, served in Arlington, Va. Her major activity was working with children's ministries.

Kyle Welch served in Detroit for the summer as a street counselor. The junior church vocations major is a native of Spring, Texas.

Other BSU missionaries from across the country served in various capacities worldwide for the summer.

## William Carey registration begins Aug. 24

HATTIESBURG, Miss. — Opportunities for study in various areas will be offered on three campuses of William Carey College this fall. Undergraduate programs are available from the college of arts and sciences, and the schools of business, education, music, and nursing. Graduate programs are also provided in business, education, music, and psychology.

Fall registrations will be held Monday, Aug. 24 from 1 p.m.-5 p.m. at the school of nursing in New Orleans; Tuesday, Aug. 25 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in Hattiesburg; and Thursday, Aug. 27 from 1-6 p.m. in Gulfport. Registration for Hattiesburg evening courses only will be held Tuesday, Aug. 25 from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. on that campus. Students may visit any of the three campuses between now and registration for counseling or advisement.

Student housing is now available on all three campuses, with new apartments at Carey on the Coast in Gulfport for single or married students.

For more information, call (504) 897-5906 in New Orleans, (601) 582-6103 in Hattiesburg or (601) 865-1500 in Gulfport.

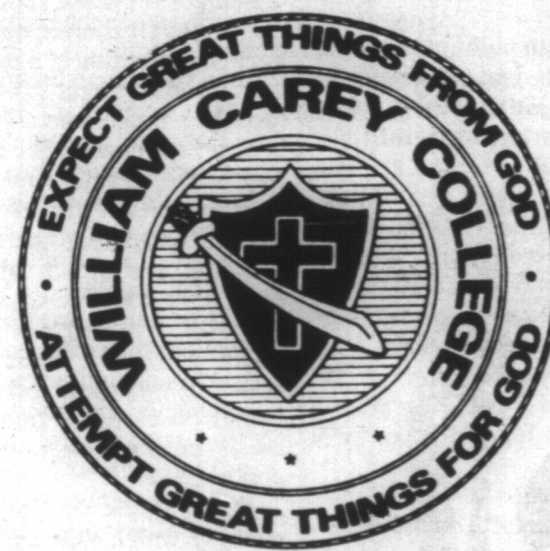
### Homecomings

Short Creek (Yazoo): Aug. 23; services, 11 a.m.; Mack Robinson, Cleveland, guest speaker; lunch served after morning service; R. B. McNeer, pastor.



Reflecting a renewal of liberal arts, William Carey College has reinstated programs in sociology and foreign languages by hiring two Ph.D.s to fill key posts. Taking charge of studies in German, as well as early English literature, is James Simmons, who has taught at Illinois College and the University of North Dakota, having received his doctorate in English from the latter institution. Sociologist Robert Moore, a University of Kentucky graduate, accepts a new challenge at Carey after teaching sociology, criminology, and anthropology courses at Campbellsville College. Moore's experience in research and clinical positions is also supportive of his new role at Carey. Carey's hiring of Simmons and Moore strengthens its College of Arts and Sciences and demonstrates William Carey's commitment to liberal arts as a complement to professional studies. Pictured are, from left, J. V. McCrory, academic vice president, Simmons, and Moore.

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Pictured are WCC summer missionaries, Kyle Welch, Kim Graham, and Penni Brown.



# Carey on Coast keeps adding new buildings

With each new academic year William Carey College on the Coast seems to add a new building and/or program.

Students coming to the beachfront campus in Gulfport for the fall semester will find a handsome new building greeting them just as they arrive. Actually, the structure is not new but is the renovated classroom building now remodeled into a conference center known as Parker Hall, in honor of the family of Wayne Parker of Jackson.

The formerly U-shaped building has had the courtyard of azaleas and palm trees covered over into a 300-seat auditorium that has multiple-use possibilities, including two lecture halls, an assembly room, a theatre, and registration center.

Students will learn to regard Parker Hall as the site of their weekly chapel. Previously chapel was held in the student center assembly room, but with growing enrollments the new chapel area will accommodate nearly three times the former.

With additional meeting space the Baptist Student Union on the Coast

campus will have more opportunities for growth this fall. Mrs. Cecile Stanback is serving as interim BSU director and is assisted by Steve Smith, BSU director on Carey's Hattiesburg campus, and Tim Thomas, BSU director at Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College.

Soccer continues to grow on the Coast campus, as new students will observe this fall. A new soccer field has been developed on the back campus and a junior varsity as well as varsity team will be playing in NAIA competition. Doug Stovall, popular soccer clinician on the Coast, will be the new soccer coach this year. Jimmy Stewart, minister of youth at Gulfport First Church, will serve as chaplain to the soccer team. The youth ministries of First Church, Biloxi, as well as First Church, Gulfport, will serve as hosts to the soccer team in their pre-registration training and workouts.

Don Fowler, retired Southern Baptist chaplain of the United States Army, will coordinate academic and student development programs on the Coast campus in this his first full year in Gulfport.



Annual events at Carey's homecoming day activities include the 5-K Run. Alumni look forward with increasing anticipation each year to this event.

## "Morning Star" begins year's religious events

The 1987-88 religious activity program at Carey offers opportunities for spiritual growth through a wide variety of events. The year will begin with a special welcome concert, which will allow students to hear Christian music by "Morning Star" while getting to know one another.

Missions Emphasis Week in September will promote student involvement in missions and will include speakers, music and film.

Noonday worship services will continue, reaching for the goal of over \$3,000 for summer missions.

Weekly chapel services will provide worship experiences in sermons, music and drama. Completion of the 300-seat conference center at Carey on the Coast will provide an excellent facility for chapel programs on that campus.

Other activities planned include a winter retreat and a spring break mission trip. Also planned is a faculty/student forum on the Hattiesburg campus which will combine topics on religion and life through discussion of pertinent issues.

In addition to these aspects of the religious activities program, Steve Smith, director of religious activities at Carey, will assume a pastoral role in relation to the college family and will be involved in religious programs on the Gulfport, Hattiesburg, and New Orleans campuses.

## William Carey grad named Rotary Fellowship recipient

HATTIESBURG, Miss. — Brett Alan Valentine, a May graduate of William Carey College, was named the recipient of the Rotary Foundation Fellowship. Valentine, son of the James G. Valentines of Vicksburg, is the fourth consecutive Carey student to be awarded the fellowship.



The award allows the winner a year of study abroad and covers all tuition, housing, meals, and traveling expenses. Valentine will leave in February for New Zealand to study chemistry.

Valentine had an exceptional career at Carey since arriving from Warren Central High School in 1983. He was twice elected Student Government Association president, and was elected to both Who's Who Among Students In American Colleges and Universities and to Outstanding

Young Men of America. At the end of his junior year he was honored with the Outstanding Leadership Award, chosen annually by the college administrative council.

He was president of Chi Beta Phi science honorary and received its Outstanding Senior Member Award. Valentine was a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and was captain of the wrestling club. Other campus involvement included membership in the College Republicans, the Pre-Med Club and the Association of Campus Presidents. He was also named a Class Favorite and a Campus Beau. He received both the SGA Presidential Scholarship and the Residential Assistant Scholarship.

On June 27, Valentine married Alesia Ann Phillips from Hattiesburg at Temple Baptist Church in Hattiesburg. He plans to attend dental school after his studies in New Zealand.

## Letters to the editor

Letters to the editor must be limited to 300 words and the editor reserves the right to trim those that are longer. Editorial prerogatives must be reserved under all circumstances, and the opinions of the letter writers do not necessarily reflect the views of the staff of the Baptist Record. Only signed letters will be used, but the writer may request that his name be withheld.

### Youth Night

Editor:

Last year's youth night, as I recall, brought a great deal of criticism about the music. We're often quick to criticize but slow to commend.

I think this year's youth night was one of the best in recent years. I appreciated the music of Gabriel, which was exciting and worshipful. And the message by Harold Morris was very timely, which was no surprise, since I had heard his tapes and read his book, *Twice Pardon*.

To all who had a part in planning this year's youth night, thanks for a job well done.

Dale Sauls  
Minister of Education  
First Church, Richland

the temptations that face today's teenage generation.

Being a full-time youth minister, I realize that it is often hard to get and keep the attention of a teenager. I am thankful that you used contemporary Christian music and comedy, not only as an eye-opener, but also as a very legitimate, creative form of praise, worship and spiritual challenge. I am also thankful that the speaker was gripping and practical, as Harold Morris truly was. It was truly wonderful to hear a message presented to youth, for youth, about youth problems. It was so refreshing to hear a "youth message" rather than an adult-centered message preached at youth.

Again, thank you for a wonderful evening which was truly the beginning of revival among our group.

Mike Priest  
Minister of Youth  
Ripley, Mississippi

### Youth night

Editor:

I am writing to thank the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board and those directly responsible for planning and presenting a wonderful state youth night. I commend the state convention and other planners for the wisdom they used in planning a program that would get the attention of our often hard-to-reach teenagers. Not only did it hold their attention, but it also allowed the Holy Spirit to challenge these youths to take a stand against peer pressure and be able to say no to

### Crowley anniversary

Editor:

In February, 1989, First Baptist Church of Crowley, La., will celebrate its 100th birthday. The committee for this celebration needs to locate former pastors and staff members and/or their families in addition to former church members.

We need pictures and autobiographical information immediately from former pastors and staff members. If

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Left to right are Janet Johnson, Memphis, Th.; Dana Inmon, Pontotoc; Audrey Smith, Southaven.

BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE is a woman's college. Today's woman lives in a world of unprecedented opportunities and challenges. Her educational needs are, in many ways, unlike those of any generation before her.

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BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE invites you to come and discover the friendships, challenges, and opportunities that await you at this special place.



# Blue Mountain registration: last of August

## History and Introduction

Blue Mountain College was founded in 1873 by Civil War General Mark Perrin Lowrey. A village preacher before the war, General Lowrey was a man of vision who saw the importance of providing a thorough education for women.

He sought "The Brougner Place," a famous old mansion built on the slope of a large hill which had come to be called "Blue Mountain." He and his two oldest daughters made up the faculty at what was then known as Blue Mountain Female Institute. Fifty students were enrolled for the first session.

Miss Modena Lowrey, who later became Mrs. Modena Lowrey Berry, served as "Lady Principal" and then as vice-president from 1873 to 1934. It is believed that she served in these capacities longer than any other American woman has ever served as a major college official. She was the second woman in the state's history to be named to the Mississippi Hall of Fame.

Lowrey presided over the school as president until his death in February, 1885. He was succeeded by his eldest son, W. T. Lowrey, who served as president for 13 years. Upon his resignation, his brother, B. G. Lowrey, another son of General Lowrey, became president. W. T. Lowrey returned for another tenure and remained as president until 1925. Lawrence T. Lowrey, grandson of

General Lowrey, became president of the college in 1925 and retired in 1960. Wilfred C. Tyler was president from June 1, 1960 until his death in 1965, and E. Harold Fisher succeeded as the sixth and current president.

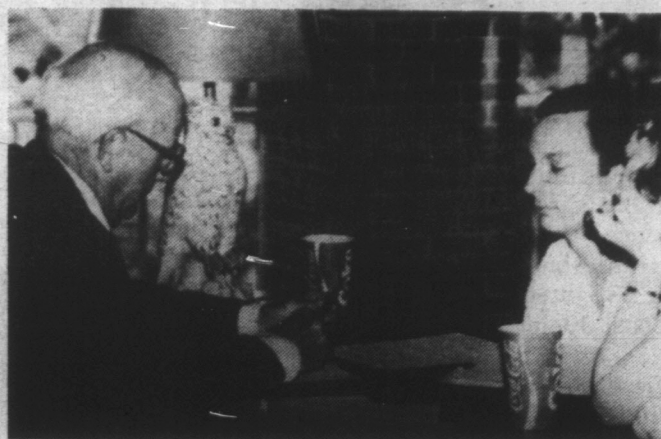
Blue Mountain has over the years sought to train women to be useful, happy citizens. Emphasis has been given to the development of strength of character and the ability to live creatively. Through small classes, a close faculty-student relationship, and stress on the importance of the individual, the college has endeavored to produce graduates who are well-prepared academically and spiritually to accept places of leadership in their chosen vocation, in their communities, and in the work of the denomination.

## Purpose

Today the basic purposes of Blue Mountain College are: 1) to provide a sound educational program with a curriculum oriented toward the liberal arts in an atmosphere in which Christian faith is nurtured; 2) to offer a reasonable balance between liberal and vocational studies; and 3) to aid each individual to grow and adjust within the student's own uniqueness to the demands and opportunities which surround that student. The ultimate goal continues to be intellectual integrity, academic excellence, social consciousness, and Christian character.

## Academic Information

Registration for the fall semester is



James Travis, professor of Bible at Blue Mountain, talks with entering student, Heath Joiner of Southaven.



Belinda Cheah, Thailand, left, and Melissa West, Memphis, Arkansas, get acquainted at Blue Mountain.

held the first week of September. Following Christmas break, registration for second semester begins the week of Jan. 11, 1988 with second semester completed the early part of May. Two five-week summer sessions are offered as well as some evening and weekend classes.

## Accreditation

Blue Mountain College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and holds membership in the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities.

## Degrees and majors offered

To help meet the objectives of its academic program, Blue Mountain College offers courses of study leading to four degrees: bachelor of arts, bachelor of music, bachelor of science and bachelor of science in education.

Students may choose their work from the 15 departments of the college. When grouped according to the similarity of subject matter or convenience in administration, the departments form six overall divisions, as follows: Biblical and Associated Studies: Bible; Fine Arts: art, music, speech and drama; Language and Literature: English, foreign languages, library science; Natural Science: basic sciences, mathematics, home economics, physical education; Psychology and Education: psychology and education; Social Science: history, social science, business.

## Special programs

Blue Mountain College offers many special programs. Summer sessions, divided into two five-week terms, pro-

vide a chance for students to take elective courses, courses just for the fun of learning, for personal enrichment, or to enable them to acquire additional majors or minors. Public school teachers welcome the opportunity to renew certification requirements as well as participate in special programs designed for teaching the gifted and special students. Evening and weekend courses for adults in medical careers are offered by the natural science department to update medical career personnel on changing trends.

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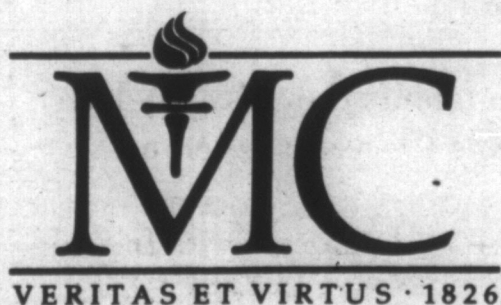
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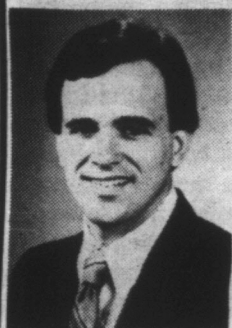
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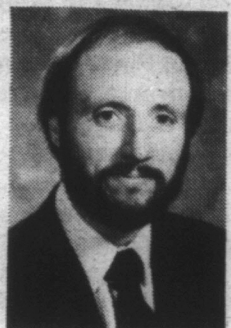
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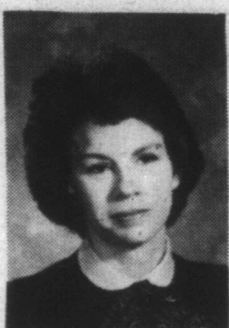
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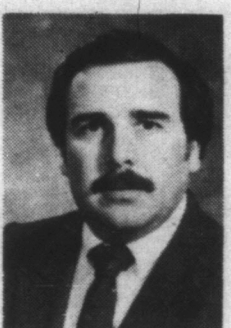
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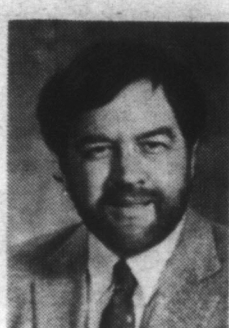
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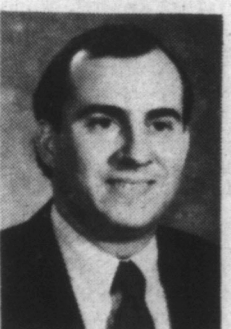
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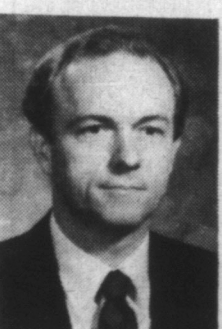
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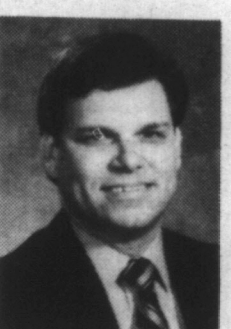
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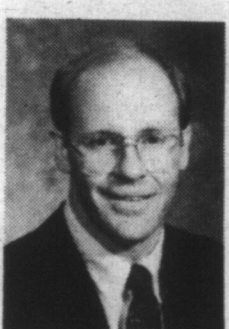
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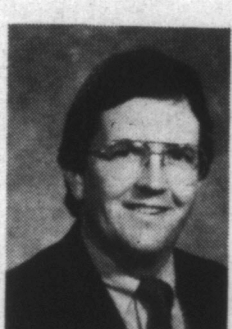
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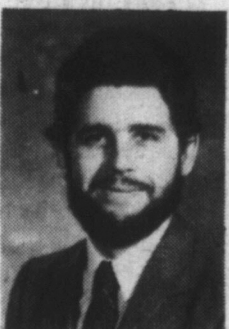
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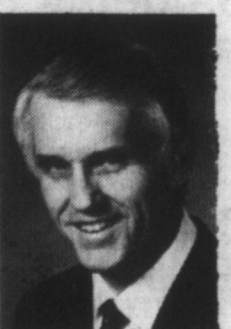
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# Blue Mountain's doors will open on August 30

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Students admitted to the program may earn up to seven semester hours of credit each term. Full college credit is given after the student graduates and meets the college entrance requirements.

A continuing education program for persons who cannot attend regular session classes is offered. Courses of special interest or by special request are offered.

The Blue Mountain College Internship Program provides participating students with work experiences in chosen career fields for which up to six semester hours of college credit will be given.

A special honors program is offered to outstanding students with a minimum 3.0 overall grade point average. Students who complete the program and earn no less than a B on each of the three assigned units of supervised study graduate with Honors in the major discipline.

## Student activities

Students at Blue Mountain College may choose from a variety of activities in which to participate; Inter-collegiate sports competition is available in girls' varsity basketball and tennis as well as intra-mural basketball, badminton, volleyball, tennis, table tennis, softball, and swimming. A large, modern pool and patio area, golf course, softball field, lacrosse courts and picturesque lake offer many hours of sports entertainment. An outstanding indoor skating facility is offered in the nearby city.

Numerous clubs offer membership to students including Sigma Sigma Gamma, Phi Beta Lambda, Psychology Club, Viviance, Student Education Association, Art Club, Home Economics Club, Alpha Psi Omega, Math Club, Koinonia, Science Club, and Ministerial Alliance.

Blue Mountain College is located near Tupelo and Memphis where cultural opportunities abound, as well as offerings of many cultural activities on the campus in the form of plays, lectures, and concerts in house and by visiting performing artists.

Three societies are established at Blue Mountain; the Eunomian, Modenian, and Euzelian. Female students choose one of the three and society activities include parties, meetings, projects, and intramural competition.

Special events each year include High School Day, Founders Day, Spring Festival, Field Day, the Miss BMC Pageant, and many others.

The Music Department sponsors the "Blue Mountain College Chorale," a performing group consisting of music majors and minors. Another contemporary group, "New Dimension," consists of auditioned students and performs for many on campus and off campus functions.

Formal dinners are arranged by each of the four classes each year. Students may invite family and friends to this formal event, which are special occasions for all.

## Religious life

The Baptist Student Union offers a central focus for religious life on cam-

pus. The BSU sponsors a puppet team, action teams, BSU ensemble, Bible studies, Masterlife, family groups for freshmen, and the summer mission program for the college.

Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church is located adjacent to the campus and contributes greatly to the worship facilities offered on campus.

There are many opportunities to expand one's faith — some opportunities are spontaneous, unstructured, and unrehearsed — but organized opportunities on campus come in many forms. The Baptist Student Union offers a noonday daily devotional service immediately following the lunch hour when students may take a minute from the busy schedule of classes to experience a quiet time of thought and worship.

At Blue Mountain College students find an environment in which their Christian faith can be nurtured and expanded. The reason it's still a strong, growing institution that prepares men and women adequately is because it is built on a Christian foundation.

Students have numerous opportunities for service by serving as student youth directors, summer camp workers, and special teams for revivals or youth meetings in the churches of the area. Opportunities for

religious growth are plentiful and students find that they are encouraged to grow in their spiritual lives as well as academically and socially.

## Basic Costs

The basic costs for students are listed below:

Tuition and Fees per semester .....	\$1,392
Room and Board per semester .....	\$ 925
Books and Supplies per semester (average) .....	\$ 125

## Scholarship and financial aid information

Blue Mountain offers approximately 300 scholarships annually to students based on academic achievement and student need. Students successfully completing steps on the A-teen Program through Southern Baptist churches automatically qualify for a \$50 scholarship for each step completed and this scholarship is renewable annually. Students transferring from junior colleges and members of Phi Theta Kappa in good standing may receive automatic scholarships of \$200.

The James Travis Scholarship is awarded to ministerial students selected by the Board of Directors of the scholarship program on an annual basis, as well as Mississippi Baptist Convention Scholarships which are also available to men in church related vocations.

Blue Mountain College participates in the five federal aid programs; PELL Grant, Supplemental Grant, Perkins (or National Direct Student) Loan, Guaranteed Student Loans, and College Work Study. Every effort is made toward funds to students on an equitable basis and to obtain funds needed for students to complete their course of study at the College.

Students who wish to apply for financial aid should contact the Director of Financial Aid for further information.

Additional information regarding academic programs may be obtained by calling the Admissions Office or the Registrar's Office Blue Mountain College. Questions regarding admission requirements, etc. should be directed to the Office of Admissions.



Jeff Crowder of Shaw, Blue Mountain student, takes a Coke break.



Sue Dear, right, head of the Home Economics Department, Blue Mountain College, and Mrs. Eleanor Parks, professor of foods and nutrition courses, discuss curriculum choices with new students.

Thursday, August 20, 1987

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Paula Hamlin of Derma, Blue Mountain student, shoots a basket.

## BMC offers classes for adult population

August 30 marks the opening of the 115th annual session at Blue Mountain College. Dorms will be open August 30 with registration and orientation for new and transfer students the following day. Registration for all students will be August 31 with classes beginning September 1. Orientation is a time for new students to meet faculty, administrative staff, Student Government and Baptist Student Union Councils. President E. Harold Fisher will preside over the program and make special introductions.

The registrar's office reports that one special education course will be offered on Monday evenings in the fall semester. Special Ed 413, Education and Psychology of the Child with Learning Disabilities. Also, Sue Dear will be teaching special clothing construction techniques. The class time will be scheduled for the convenience of those enrolled.

Responding to the continuing education needs of the nursing and medical profession in North Mississippi, Blue Mountain College is continuing to offer evening and Saturday classes in the sciences under the direction of James Flatt. Other continuing education classes are offered throughout the year to enhance earning potential and the quality of life of the adult population in North Mississippi.

## Courses

**Fall Semester (September 1 - December 18, 1987)**

Friday, 6-9:30 p.m. (first class meets Sept. 4), Bio. 390, Human Anatomy & Physiology I and Lab., 4 semester hours credit.

Saturday, 8-11:30 a.m. (first class meets Sept. 5), Bio. 300, Microbiology and Lab., 4 semester hours credit.

**Spring Semester (January 11 - May 6, 1988)**

Friday, 6-9:30 p.m. (first class meets Jan. 15), Bio. 391, Human Anatomy & Physiology II and Lab., 4 semester hours credit.

Saturday, 8-11:30 a.m. (first class meets Jan. 16), Bio. 300, Microbiology and Lab., 4 semester hours credit.

These courses are designed especially for students in nursing and other health-related fields; however, any qualified student may apply for admission to these courses. The classes will be offered if ten students register; interested students should contact the Registrar's Office and request an application form. A student may take Bio 300 and 391 if he/she needs both courses.

Assistant Registrar, Sheila Freeman, noted that other evening classes may be added upon sufficient demand. Anyone interested in evening classes should contact the Registrar's Office or the Academic Dean, Blue Mountain College.



# State BSU ministers on 27 campuses

By Jerry Merriman

Baptist Student Union is a ministry of the Mississippi Baptist Convention on 27 college and university campuses in the state. It is directed by a staff of 33 full time and part time BSU directors who love students and are committed to meeting their spiritual needs.

Approximately 70,000 students are on the campuses where we presently have BSU work, 35,000 of whom are classified as Baptist or Baptist preference. Last year, our BSUs reported 22,235 students reached through BSU program activities.

The guiding principles of BSU for more than 60 years have been BSU is student led. Each of the 27 local organizations of BSU in Mississippi is led by students committed to the lordship of Jesus Christ. The development of student leadership is a major role of Baptist Student Union. BSU is frankly denominational. Our ministry to the campuses of Mississippi is made possible because Mississippi Baptist churches care about their college students. Through the Cooperative Program and support of local churches, BSU is able to carry out this ministry to the students of our state. BSU is Christ centered. The primary objective of Baptist Student Union is to lead students to a personal relationship to Jesus Christ and to help them develop as disciples and committed churchmen. BSU is church related. Baptist Student Union is committed to the local church. Through the support of local churches, BSU is able to provide opportunities of witness and ministry with college students. Through these avenues of ministry and service students grow in their commitment to Christ and learn to become leaders in local congregations both as students and for the future. Finally, BSU offers students nothing but the very best. Through the commitment of the churches of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, Baptist Student Union provides many avenues of personal growth and ministry for students just like you.

The main purpose of Baptist Student Union is to lead students to a personal relationship to Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord and to help them grow in the Lordship of Christ.

The BSU emblem symbolizes the journey of the life in Christ. The symbol is made up of ten arrows: five pointing inward representing the INWARD JOURNEY OF CHRISTIAN GROWTH and five pointing outward representing the OUTWARD JOURNEY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE. "Knowing him and making him known" is to be goal of every Christian college student.

The channels for the INWARD JOURNEY through BSU are the programs of Bible study and discipleship. The commitment of Baptist Student Union to the study of God's word continues to be a hallmark of the program. The opportunities for involvement in Bible study and discipleship will be numerous. Baptist Student Unions on every campus offer varied opportunities for both large group and small group Bible Study.

BSU directors can introduce students to materials to help increase their knowledge of God's word. Local



NASHVILLE — Officers of the Association of State Directors of Student Ministry met recently with leaders of national student ministries of the Sunday School Board to discuss plans for future student ministry projects and programs. Participants in the meeting were, from left: Eugene Briscoe, association president, director of student work, Georgia Baptist Convention; Jerry Merriman, association president-elect, director of student work, Mississippi Baptist Convention; and Don Gurney, association secretary-treasurer, director of student work, Hawaii Baptist Convention; along with Charles H. Johnson, director of national student ministries. Merriman was named president-elect by the Association of State Directors of Student Ministry during their annual meeting in Birmingham in February. (BSSB Photo by Frank Wm. White).

churches in college communities also offer through their Sunday School opportunities for involvement with other college students in studying the Bible.

Discipleship programs in BSU are designed to help students make the Word of God a vital part of daily life. Programs such as Patterns for Discipleship and MasterLife, are designed to help a student apply the teachings of God's word in his or her life. Though the program may vary from campus to campus, local BSU directors are available to help assess needs and provide discipleship materials to deepen the personal relationship to Jesus Christ as Lord of Life.

The hallmark of Mississippi Baptist Student Union for more than 60 years has been an emphasis on EVANGELISM and MISSIONS. The emphasis on evangelism is a response to Matthew 28:19-20 in that one must take the message of the Good News to the college campuses. "Making him known" is a commitment to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with students and the faculty through the emphasis on personal evangelism. BSU offers opportunities for training in sharing ones faith through the Share Seminar, Continued Witness Training, and other programs of evangelism training. 1987-88 will be a year of emphasis on sharing the Good News of salvation in Jesus Christ with the students in our state. ReachOut 87-88 is a focused emphasis on every campus.

Missions opportunities during the days as a college student will broaden a student's view of his or her world. Programs of outreach and ministry in the college community give an ongoing touch with people who need the love that students have to share. Missions education programs through BSU will be a journey from the campus to destinations around the world as students see through the eyes of career missionaries the needs of a hunting world.

This year, the student missions program of the Mississippi Baptist Student Union celebrated its 40th year of providing opportunities of service and ministry to college and university students. BSU student missions makes available short term missions

experiences during the summer, fall and spring semester. A student can be involved in sharing God's love through leading Bible School and Backyard Bible Club, outreach revival teams, music leadership, working in the inner city in Christian social ministry, and many other types of ministries as students work alongside career Southern Baptist missionaries at home or overseas.

During the summer of 1987, BSU student missionaries are serving for 10 week terms in six foreign countries and 28 states. Through the summer and semester missions programs, Baptist Student Union offers college students the opportunities to "make

him known" to a world in need.

Mississippi Baptist Student Union sponsors three state meetings each school year. Each meeting has a distinct purpose and is designed to strengthen the work of Baptist Student Union of each college and university campus.

The first state meeting will be the state Baptist Student Convention. This meeting is the annual gathering of all twenty-seven BSU's and is packed with opportunities for fellowship, inspiration, and Christian growth. The 1987 convention will be held at Broadmoor Baptist Church in Jackson, Sept. 25-27.

Each year Mississippi BSU provides a week-end retreat for the more than 1,500 foreign students who are studying in our state. The International Student Conference extends a hand of friendship from Mississippi BSU to these students who have left their native lands to study here. This is also an opportunity for us to share with them the love that Christ has shown to us in an atmosphere that conveys respect and understanding.

Leadership Training Conference, or simply LTC, is held during the weekend of April 8-10, 1988, at our Gulfshore Baptist Assembly in Pass Christian. This program focuses on the orientation and training of newly-elected leadership for the local Baptist Student Unions. One of the highlights each year is the commissioning of student missionaries that are appointed to serve for the summer as Baptist Student Union student missionaries.

Jerry Merriman directs student work for Mississippi Baptists.

## Medical Center plans retreat for nursing students

A one-day retreat for student nurses is being sponsored by Mississippi Baptist Medical Center and the Mississippi Chapter of Baptist Nursing Fellowship and will be held at Rice Acres the Hinds-Madison camp in Hinds County on September 19. The program will feature a presentation from a student nurse who was a missionary to Nigeria this summer. There will also be time for sharing and singing. All nursing students are invited. The cost is two dollars per person. To register, send name, address, and two dollars to Kathy Bearden, BSU director, Mississippi Baptist Medical Center, 1225 North State Street, Jackson, MS 39202-2002. For more information call Miss Bearden at 968-5144.

## Dickerson, Mumbower to lead Covenant Marriage Retreat

Carl Dickerson of Laurel, and Ron Mumbower of Jackson will lead a Covenant Marriage retreat at Gulfshore Aug. 28-29. Twenty one couples are registered to attend and there is room for 40 more. The deadline for registration is Wednesday, Aug. 26.

Covenant Marriage is a new Southern Baptist marriage enrichment program based on the biblical concept of covenant applied to husband-wife relationships and their relationship to God. The resources guide couples to explore the promise and potential of Christian marriage as

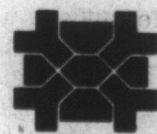
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# Baptist Medical Center offers courses in medical field

Mississippi Baptist Medical Center, the state's largest, nonprofit general hospital, offers students educational opportunities in the medical field: Medical Technology, Radiography, Respiratory Therapy and Practical Nursing. In addition, nursing students throughout the state do their clinical training at MBMC, and residents from the University School of Medicine rotate through some of the services.

"Meeting the challenges that medical opportunities bring gives our students valuable hands-on experience and a strong rapport with their instructors, leading physicians, and expert health clinicians," said Paul Pryor, MBMC executive director. "These vital elements, in addition to the hospital's dominant theme, 'Christian Concern in Action,' produces graduates we take pride in. When our students graduate they are prepared to find good jobs and are rewarded by the tremendous sense of service that comes from helping others."

Medical Technology is the branch of medicine that is responsible for the performance of laboratory determinations and analyses that the

physician uses to assist in diagnosis and treatment of disease and the maintenance of health. The school maintains affiliations with Mississippi College and Mississippi State University which allow the proper transfer of credits for those who wish to substitute their year in medical technology school for their senior year in college.

The radiologic technologist is specifically trained to assist a radiologist in radiological (commonly known as x-ray) procedures. He or she is invaluable in the technological aspects which aid in the diagnosis and treatment of patients. The applicant must have a strong math background and have scored 15 or above on the ACT. He or she must be at least 18 years old and have a high school education or the equivalent.

Respiratory Therapy is an allied health specialty which is concerned with the treatment, management, control, and care of patients with deficiencies and abnormalities associated with breathing. Entrance into the school, which is affiliated with Hinds Junior College, requires a high school education or the equivalent. The applicant must have an ACT score of at least 14 and must have scored at least 14 on the math section of the ACT.

Nurses have always been an essential part of the health care team. The practical nursing program located at MBMC is affiliated with Hinds Junior College. This is a one-year program for interested people with ages ranging from 19 to 55 with a high school education or the equivalent. To be eligible for admission, one must have acceptable scores on a nursing aptitude test administered by the State Employment Service. Other nursing students seeking a two-year (associate degree) at Hinds Junior College also do part of their clinical training at MBMC.

Since the phasing out of the Gilfoy School of Nursing in 1971, MBMC has offered affiliations to nursing students from several colleges and universities who are seeking to secure their

clinical instruction. Students from Mississippi College, along with their clinical instructors, are assigned to MBMC during various rotations throughout the year, as are students from the University Medical Center, Hinds Junior College and other schools of nursing in the state.

In another ongoing program of long standing, MBMC has the opportunity to participate in medical education through affiliation in specialty areas at the University School of Medicine. MBMC presently has physician residents affiliating in medicine, surgery, and orthopedics.

In addition to the education programs and up-to-date clinical experience, MBMC emphasizes spiritual enrichment. An active Baptist Student Union led by BSU Director Kathy Bearden offers Christian fellowship and fun activities for the students. Retreats, volleyball games, singing groups, religious emphasis week, raising money for missions, luncheons, and get-togethers promote friendships and encourage Christian involvement and growth.

MBMC's administrative staff strongly supports the schools and are frequently involved with the BSU. "We enjoy participating in the students' activities," said Lu Harding, MBMC assistant administrator, "Because it gives us a chance to get acquainted with the students. We believe they play a vital role in our hospital. Their ideas, incentive, and inquisitive minds challenge us to provide them with the best resources possible."

"Strong administrative backing, dedicated instructors, excellent clinical experience and good Christian fellowship combine to build a firm foundation for the student beginning his or her medical career," said Miss Bearden.

For more information concerning MBMC health related schools, interested persons should contact Kathy Bearden at 968-5144, or write her in care of Mississippi Baptist Medical Center, 1225 North State Street, Jackson, MS 39202.



Mrs. Betty Smith, a staff member in the MC admissions office, is receiving information from Judd Reasons, a student worker, from Nashville, on entering data from students applications into the computer. By using the computer, a students file is accessible in a matter of minutes.

## Educators . . .

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fellowship organized for missions support is unlimited, Buchanan said: "You can't name anybody — doctor or nuclear scientist or anybody else — who doesn't start with education. We think the limit is just what the Lord can cause us to cause to happen." Volunteers will be recruited to teach overseas in schools for children of missionaries as well as international schools that educate other English-speaking students. In the United States, volunteer educators also will find a variety of assignments available for their areas of expertise.

Jim Burton writes for the Brotherhood Commission.

## Mississippi College

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Thursday, Aug. 27, and Tuesday, Sept. 1, from 5-7 p.m. each night in Nelson Hall.

All graduate and undergraduate classes will begin on the regular schedule on Thursday, Aug. 27. Classes will not meet on Monday, Sept. 7, because of the Labor Day holiday.

### Activities Planned

Throughout the first few weeks of the new school year a wide variety of general activities will be on the agenda in order to give the newcomers the opportunity to become better acquainted with members of the college

faculty and administration and with each other.

Tom Washburn, dean of students and coordinator of the orientation schedule, said, "We want to put the new students at ease as they move into the different routine of college life and we feel the best way to do this is through various social functions."

## Marriage enrichment

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partnership and commitment. Already 40 Mississippi couples have participated in this new approach to marriage enrichment during the recent launch at Ridgecrest and at Lake Tiak O'Khata and in Jackson. Thirty couples have pledged to become leader couples, assisting the 40 churches which have asked for help. Other churches are planning retreats using local leadership.

The retreat cost is \$75 per couple (room & meals included). The event will begin with supper Friday night at 6:30 and close by 3 p.m. on Saturday. To make reservations send the entire fee to Family Ministry, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, MS 39205.

## Crowley . . .

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they are deceased, we would appreciate their families sending this to us for our history, which is being compiled.

We need addresses of former members to keep them updated on plans for the celebration. We want to make this a grand homecoming!

Mrs. Elaine Gould, Chairman Centennial Committee

## Clarke's 79th session will begin August 25

Clarke College had a total of 100 students enrolled in the two terms of the 1987 summer session, which is a record summer school enrollment for the 1980s.

Also, another important happening this summer for Clarke College was the decision made by the Education Commission of the Mississippi Baptist Convention on July 6, 1987, to recommend to the Budget and Cooperative Project Promotion Committee that a special allocation of \$55,095 be made for Clarke College this coming fiscal year.

The Education Commission went on record as recommending that this special allocation of funds be continued until it was no longer needed, which means until the deficit that Clarke has been operating under the last few years is eliminated.

These two highlights have brighten-

ed the summer at Clarke and have challenged Clarke alumni, faculty, staff, friends, and students to increase their commitment to this special college.

Preparations are now underway on the Clarke campus to begin the College's seventy-ninth session on August 25, 1987. A number of improvements have been made during the spring and summer including landscaping of the campus and major renovation of the cafeteria. Dormitories will open on Sunday afternoon, August 23, at 2 p.m. Orientation for entering freshmen and transfer students will be held on Monday, Aug. 24. Registration will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 25, with classes beginning on Wednesday, Aug. 26.

The Baptist Student Union has planned a busy schedule of activities at Clarke College this year, beginning with a "Welcome Back" party on Aug.

24. Other BSU-sponsored activities throughout the academic year include: the BSU fall retreat, BSU state convention, Mission Emphasis Week, Lottie Moon campaign, Spiritual Emphasis Week, and student-led campus revivals.

Plans are also being made for the Master Life Program to be taught on campus again. Also, the BSU is again planning to send out youth revival teams from February through May of 1988.

Kevin White, director of alumni and development, is making plans for a number of events this year. The Clarke College Annual Fund Drive will begin in the fall, as well as the phone-a-thon which is an important part of the Annual Fund Campaign.

Alumni Homecoming is scheduled for Nov. 21, and will feature various activities including a basketball game

involving the men's varsity team under the direction of Coach Josh Butler.

Plans are being made for a spring meeting of the Fifty Year Club where old acquaintances can be renewed and new members inducted into the Club. The dedication of this group of senior alumni to their alma mater serves as an inspiration to us all.

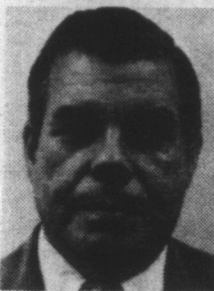
Evelyn Williams, director of admissions and financial aid, is planning for a fall Preview Day to be held on Oct. 14. On that day all those who might be interested in attending Clarke College are invited to visit the campus, sit in on classes, and talk with students, staff, and faculty about how Clarke College can meet their educational needs.

For more information on Clarke College call 683-2061 in Newton.



# Hatten, DOM, retires

Warren Association honored Lavon Hatten and his wife, Bea, on the occasion of his retirement as director of missions for Warren and Yazoo Associations, with a reception on Sunday afternoon, August 2, from 2 to 4 p.m. The reception was held at the associational office at 3040-B Indiana Avenue. Hatten was also serving as director of missions for Sharkey-Issaquena associations.



Hatten

He had served as director of missions of Warren-Yazoo since 1979. Prior to moving to Vicksburg he served as director of missions for Carroll and Montgomery Associations and also served as pastor of churches in Mississippi and Louisiana for over 14 years.

Hatten is a native of Stone County, Mississippi, and a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary. He and his wife, the former Bea Diamond, have a son, Randy, and two daughters, Deborah and Martha.

The Hattens have moved to Winona, where they live at 732 Herod Drive (phone 283-3278).

## Secretaries' Certification Seminar set, Sept. 14-18

A Secretaries' Certification Seminar will take place Sept. 14-18 at the Baptist Building in Jackson, 515 Mississippi Street.

The conference will offer certification on two levels: basic and advanced.

The basic session will offer self improvement, sharpen skills, and increase abilities. The advanced session will allow the secretary to become knowledgeable about the workings of the church, recognize good staff organization, understand record management and budget control, according to program materials.

Leader of the basic session will be Nancee Ratliff, certified church secretary instructor for the Sunday School Board, and secretary at First Church, Tupelo. Leader of the advanced

session will be Mary Ray, certified as is Nancee Ratliff, and secretary for Rankin Association.

The seminar will cost \$55 for registration fee and conference materials.

Two publications are suggested for study prior to attendance: "The Work of the Church Secretary," and "Church Secretary's Personal Enrichment Program Study Guide Revised."

To register, write Tim Holcomb, Church Administration Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, 127 Ninth Ave., North, Nashville, TN, 37234. Include a check for \$55 made payable to the Church Administration Department.

The program begins at 8:30 a.m., Sept. 14, and concludes at 10 a.m., Sept. 18.

## SS weekend is planned for leaders of children



Garlow

Couch

"Growing Together: A Labor of Love" is the theme for a Sunday School leadership weekend at Gulfshore, Sept. 4-5, especially for leaders of children and preschoolers.

Special leaders for the weekend will be Willa Ruth Garlow and Bob Couch. Garlow is a preschool consultant from Oklahoma City, Okla. Couch is

manager of the preschool and VBS curriculum section of the Sunday School Board.

Conferences at Gulfshore include sessions dealing with cradle roll tools, developing a good learning environment, department directors, modeling a Sunday School classroom, home-made teaching extended session, division directors, teachers, and how to conduct the teaching time.

One session will be a round robin conference for special interests. One session will be designed around specific job descriptions. And one will be a modeling of a Sunday morning session.

There will be a conference for each curriculum area in the Foundation Series for Children.

## Fall 1987 music at BMC

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| Sept. 8 8 p.m. | Ed Ludlow<br>Faculty Organ Recital<br>Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church |
| Nov. 23 8 p.m. | Terry McRoberts<br>Piano Recital<br>Garrett                          |
| Dec. 13 3 p.m. | Christmas Choral<br>Concert<br>Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church        |

## Devotional

### Discovering our gift of mercy

By Wayne G. Berry

The gift of mercy can be seen best in the life of Jesus. He said, "Come to me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." As Jesus walked the hills of Galilee, people cried for mercy: "Have mercy on me, O Lord, son of David; my daughter is severely possessed by a demon." Many today are crying out for mercy. Are we ministering to them in love? Jesus was clear in his teachings about the importance of mercy. "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy."

To have mercy is to have compassion. Compassion goes beyond both natural sympathy and normal Christian caring. This gift comes from a special working of God's love deep within one's self. This gift bears the other person's burden. Mercy seeks to bring relief to the afflicted and help to the wretched. It manifests itself in having a deep sensitivity to the needs of others and a desire to participate in the process of removing hurt and achieving healing, and also in having a special desire to help prevent suffering.

In our world of pain, suffering and hurt let us all discover and use the gift of mercy.

"The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy" (Ps. 103:8, KJV).

The gift of showing mercy is the spirit-guided ability to manifest practical, compassionate, cheerful love toward suffering members of the human race. Paul included the gift in his Romans list: "He that showeth mercy, with cheerfulness" (12:8).

The gift of showing mercy doesn't end with only caring, but with sharing. Wayne G. Berry is pastor, Calvary, Greenwood.



Berry

## SS schedules Gulfshore weekend for leaders of adults, youth

"Touch Lives/Change People" is the theme for a Sunday School leadership weekend at Gulfshore September 11-12

for pastors, Sunday School general officers, and Sunday School workers with adults and youths.

Bible study leader will be Judd Allen, consultant in the Sunday School Department, MBCB.

Separate sessions will be for each of the target groups. Leading the pastors will be Keith Wilkinson, director of the Sunday School Department.



Denton

## Hudson appointed representative for New Orleans Seminary

Carl A. Hudson, from Pascagoula, has been appointed Satellite Representative for New Orleans Seminary.

He will be located in Jackson, and will promote continuing education through four of the seminary's six extension centers.

Hudson, a 1956 graduate of NOBTS has served as pastor of churches in Mississippi and Louisiana.

Hudson will represent the Shreveport, La.; Jackson, Miss.; Birmingham, Ala.; and Marietta, Ga. centers.

At the satellite centers, students may complete studies toward the

Leading general officers will be Ed Hinkson, assistant director of the Sunday School Department in Arkansas.

For adult department and division directors, Gary Shows, minister of education at First Church, McComb will be the leader. For adult department and class outreach leaders, the leader will be Mary Ann Wansley, adult teacher at Valley Park Church. And for adult teachers, the leader will be Larry Shotwell, supervisor of the adult program section at the Sunday School Board.

The Youth Plus conference for youth leadership will be led by Wisty Denton, design editor for the youth section at the Sunday School Board.

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#### ANSWER:

You probably are not wise to go along with his lying. If you simply accept them, you are playing the game and promoting the problem. If you can continue to show that you care about your friend yet not condone his behavior, perhaps he can discover some important things about his personhood.

Many times this behavior has its roots deep within an individual's childhood experiences. It may be tied to one or more relationships or experiences in which he was made to feel rejected or unworthy of love. He may have a very poor image of himself and try to make up for it in fantasies of wealth or prestige.

You might do your friend a great favor by encouraging him to talk with a counselor about these matters. At 16 you lack the experience and wisdom to know exactly what to do. It is important that you give your friendship and emotional support. At the same time, he needs the skills of a professional.

Finally, try to communicate to your friend that love and acceptance that God has demonstrated to us in Christ. This is where each of us must begin the process of self-acceptance.

## Gulfshore 1987

There is still space available in the conferences listed below and time to register for them.

Sept. 4-5: V SS Preschool/Children's Leaders; Sept. 11-12: VI SS Youth/Adult/General Officers.

For reservations contact: Frank Simmons, Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, Henderson Point, Pass Christian, MS 39571, (601) 452-7261.

### Revival

First Church, Inverness: Aug. 23-26; Sunday: 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Mon.-Wed.: 7 p.m.; evangelist: Jack Stanton, director of the Institute of Evangelism at Southwest Baptist University, Bolivar, Mo., and first vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention; song leader: Jasper Butler of Jackson.

Harmony, Crystal Springs: Aug. 23-28; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., dinner at the church; Mon.-Fri. 7:30 nightly; Donnie Guy, full time evangelist, Gulfport, guest speaker; James Beasley, minister of music, First, Crystal Springs, music; Mike Pennock, pastor.

Williamsville, Kosciusko: Aug. 23-27; Sun.-Thurs., 7 nightly; sandwich supper following Sunday evening service; Mon.-Thurs., 11 a.m.; covered-dish meal; Jim Futral, evangelist; W. W. Holifield, music; Tom McCurley, pastor.

### Names in the News

Julian C. Burt and Pauline Smith Burt of Gloster, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary, August 22. The celebration will be hosted by their children, Jerry Burt of Zachary, La., Barbara Eaton of Opp, Ala., and Julie Bond of Wiggins. The celebration will be held from 2-4 p.m. in the fellowship hall of Mount Pleasant Church.

Burt is presently the pastor of Mount Pleasant Church in Gloster.

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## Preschool, children's choir leaders invited to clinic at Alta Woods

Preschool and children's choir leaders will have an opportunity to learn new techniques in teaching and leadership in a clinic to take place Sept. 11-12 at Alta Woods Church in Jackson.

The clinic, sponsored by the Church Music Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention

Board, will feature separate sessions for leaders of preschool, younger children, and older children's choirs.

Pat Cole will lead workers with preschool choirs. She is minister of music and senior adults at Melbourne Heights Church, Louisville, Ky., where she also directs the children's choir. She is also a music specialist with the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Susan Beaver will lead the session with leaders of younger children's choirs. She is coordinator of children's choirs at Briarlake Church, Decatur, Ga. She directs a children's choir and



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teaches kindergarten and is a children's music specialist with the Georgia Baptist Convention.

Martha Ruth Moore will lead the session for leaders of older children's choirs. She is director of a children's choir at First Church, Paris, Tenn. She is also a music specialist with the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

Sarah Talley, preschool/children's music assistant at the MBCB Church Music Department, is coordinating the meeting.

There is a \$5 fee per person for materials. No pre-registration is required. The meeting begins at 6 p.m., Sept. 11 with registration and concludes at 12:30 p.m. the next day.

## Mississippi Baptist activities

- Aug. 24 Associational Officer Training; FBC, Brandon; 5:45-9:15 p.m. (PD)
- Mississippi Baptist Convention Board Meeting; Baptist Building; 2 p.m.
- Aug. 25 Associational Officers Training; FBC, Winona; 5:45-9:15 p.m. (PD)
- Aug. 27 Associational Officers Training; FBC, Hattiesburg; 5:45-9:15 p.m. (PD)



# SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON COMMENTARIES

## The company of the redeemed singing the victory song

By Rex Yancey

Revelation 14:1, 3-4, 6, 8-10, 13-15

Revelation is a book of contrasts. John depicts a beast on the seashore in chapter 13. In chapter 14, the author depicts Christ as standing on Mount Zion. These contrasts raise a question in a student's mind. Did John see both the truth and the vehicle in his vision? Or, did he see the truth and symbolize it? Regardless of what he saw, the pictures are not to get all of our attention. The truth behind the pictures is the milk of the coconut.



Yancey

The 144,000 has a symbolical meaning suggesting the totality of the redeemed. This number does not suggest a very small number of people in heaven. The Jews used numbers with symbolic meaning in apocalyptic writings.

### BIBLE BOOK

When vocabularies were limited, writers fell back on numbers to suggest ideas. Pythagoras started a religion that expressed itself through numbers. From this system, Gamatria was discovered. Geometry comes from this same root word.

The number 7 is used fifty-four times in the book. This number is a combination of 4 + 3, the spiritual and the material. The number 4 is used in the cosmic number, and the number 3 is used as the divine number. The results of the spiritual and material are perfection and completion.

The number 12 stands next to 7 in its frequent use in Revelation. This number is a multiple of 4 x 3. It is the divine multiplied by visible creation. This number symbolized organized religion in the world. In the Old Testament there

were 12 tribes. In the New Testament there were 12 apostles. In the Revelation the mother of the Christ child was crowned with 12 stars. There were 12 gates to the holy city. The 144,000 is a multiple of 12 symbolizing all the redeemed on earth at any one time.

The mark symbolizes ownership, loyalty, security, dependence and safety. The company of the Lamb are those who have cast themselves on the mercy of God in Jesus Christ and are forever safe.

The voice of God is as powerful as a waterfall, as unmistakable as thunder, and as sweet as music from the harp. The Lamb's company were singing a song which only they could learn. The songwriter penned these words:

"When we sing salvation's story  
Angels will fold their wings  
For angels never knew the joys  
My salvation brings."

Here is a truth that runs through all of life. To learn certain things, a man must be a cer-

tain kind of person. The company of the Lamb knew this song because they had passed through certain experiences. They had suffered. There are certain things that only sorrow can teach. They were loyal to Christ. The leader can teach the faithful things that the unfaithful can never learn. They were growing. They did not fall into spiritual adultery by worshipping idols. The company of the Lamb are those who follow the Lamb wherever he goes (v. 4).

Following the dark and threatening scene of the last two chapters, the curtain is drawn aside to reveal the Lamb, safe on Mount Zion, with a perfect number of his redeemed with him. This triumphant picture is one calculated to cause the hearts of Christians to leap for joy. They are singing the victory song, the meaning of which can be known only by the redeemed with the Lamb. Praise God! Sing with me now, "O victory in Jesus..."

Rex Yancey is pastor, First, Quitman.

## Learning how to minister to others in church family

By Al Finch

I Timothy 5:1-5, 17-22

This lesson begins a six unit study on "How do we minister?" The design of the study is to help in understanding the ministry to which we are called as believers. This lesson helps us learn how to minister to others in the church family. Paul gives Timothy several guidelines in ministering to others.



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In a ministry to others we are reminded of our relationships with people in the fellowship (I Timothy 5:1-2). Interpersonal relationships involve the old and the young as well as persons of both sexes. Those of the same sex as the ministering servant are to be treated as brothers. Purity characterizes interaction with those of the opposite sex. The entire fellowship is to be a family relationship, "father," "mother," "brother," and "sister." In the fami-

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ly of God, people relate with honor even with age differences. As varied as people are in the church, respect is necessary for proper ministry. A failure to respect persons does great harm to the work of God's people.

In a ministry to others relief may be necessary for some (I Timothy 5:3-5). "Widows indeed" suggests material or financial desolation. Where one is financially destitute the church has responsibility to relieve the suffering. The first institution charged with the relief is the family. When the family assumes this responsibility they "learn first to show piety at home and to requite their parents." Help from the church encourages "trust in God" and "supplication and prayers."

Help for the desolate may come in various ways in our complex society. Visits to the lonely, birthday greetings, telephoning on a regular

basis those who live alone, are some ways of expressing the caring spirit.

A further guideline for ministry is respect for those who lead (I Tim. 5:17-18). Leaders that "rule well" are to receive "double honor." The "elders" would include any person in a place of leadership, including the pastor. Worthy of special honor are those who teach or preach, "labor in word and doctrine." Both the Old Testament (Deuteronomy 24:4) and Jesus (Luke 10:7) encourage the fellowship to be responsible for needs of leadership. This provides motivation for the church's financial care of staff members who are often neglected. Paul discusses the right of leadership to expect financial support in I Corinthians 9:7-14.

In the Christian fellowship, rebuke of leadership should be done with care (I Timothy 5:19-20). The Old Testament standard (Deuteronomy 19:15) should certainly characterize the New Testament standard. Rebuke should not be on "hearsay" evidence

but only after every effort is made to learn and evaluate the true facts. Jesus gave a pattern for discipline in Matthew 18:15-20. Paul states that any "rebuke" of an elder be done publicly by the fellowship, "that others also may fear." One of the serious problems faced by the modern church is the total neglect of protection for Christian leadership. Real effort must be made to shield the Christian minister from constant negative criticism and accusations that have no truth in them. Every pastor realizes his "vulnerability" at this point, and is fortunate if support and love are shown by the fellowship in the Christian family.

Another guideline for ministry is response to new leadership (I Timothy 5:21-22). No partiality is made in selection. Great wisdom and care are used in the choice of leadership. "Lay hands suddenly on no man" is a reference to ordination. There is danger in selecting the unproven novice for leadership (I Timothy 3:6, 10).

Al Finch is pastor, First, Greenwood.

## Christian responsibilities: Citizens of two kingdoms

By Julian W. Fagan III

Romans 13

To government: If God is God, he is in control. His authority permits what has been established. Therefore, governing authorities that exist have been established by God, and God's children should submit to that authority. "Submission" here refers to a military rank, i.e., to rank under. Christians are subject to their governmental superiors and are to yield to that established authority.



Fagan

To rebel against one's government is to rebel against what God has ordained (vv. 1-2).

Likely, all the civil rulers of the recipients of Paul's letter were pagans. It must have been a temptation not to submit to their regulations but to claim only an allegiance to Christ. God's word tells us Christians to obey governmental authority first because government has the power to use force and to punish. We find in

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these verses the biblical principle of the authority of civil government to use force to maintain order (vv. 3-4). Government exists as God's servant to maintain order. Believers should obey to avoid punishment and second to prevent the pangs of conscience (v. 5). We take our foot off our accelerator when we see the police car. It bothers us.

That is why we pay taxes, tolls, and fees. It is our duty. If you are entitled to a legal deduction take it; but do not cheat the government. God has instituted it (vv. 6-7). Does this mean that government always does right? No. Paul is describing the ideal role of government. Christians are to obey, respect, and honor their government until it oversteps its proper function. At that point believers are to obey God rather than men (Acts 4:19; 5:29). Requires wisdom, doesn't it? That's another good reason to go to worship and Sunday School.

To others: Our debts to government should not remain unpaid. Only one debt should never be paid in full — the continuing debt to love one another. If one could simply love others, he would fulfill the law. He would not commit adultery, for love is deeper than lust. He would not kill, for love overcomes hate. He would not steal, for love does not take. He would not covet, for love does not desire to own for self. There is no harm in love, although there is risk. Love takes hurt but does not give it. Love is the motive that meets the needs of others. It is never fully accomplished. The great need of other people is to be loved. The great gift we can give is to love. Our responsibility is to love, but more, it is our privilege and our joy. The debt of love is never fully paid but the one who loves is (vv. 8-10).

To God: Were the early Christians wrong? Was Jesus to return in just a few years and therefore they were to live in rigid anticipation? (vv. 11-14). This passage means that the "last days" are like the night in which they and we are living. The day of Christ's return is nearer than ever. No matter how long the

"night" may last in chronological time, it is nearly over, and the next event in God's great plan is coming in Jesus Christ's return. Then it will be "day."

Jesus has entered the believer; therefore the believer should clothe himself with the mantle that indwells him. Live on the outside what you are like on the inside — toward government, toward others, toward God. Live your life as in broad daylight and not as in a bawdy tavern. That is mere decency.

God says our outward responsibility to him is (1) to avoid sexual immorality — one good protection to wear to prevent AIDS is a wedding ring; (2) to avoid dissention and jealousy — the cure is not counting yourself more important than others; (3) to avoid drunkenness — at best alcohol and drugs are a gigantic stumbling block to others, at worst they are dependency, destruction, and death; (4) to avoid self gratification — such prayers are not answered (James 4:3), and the hope lies in a pure heart for it will see God (Matt. 5:8).

Julian W. Fagan III is pastor, First, Pontotoc.



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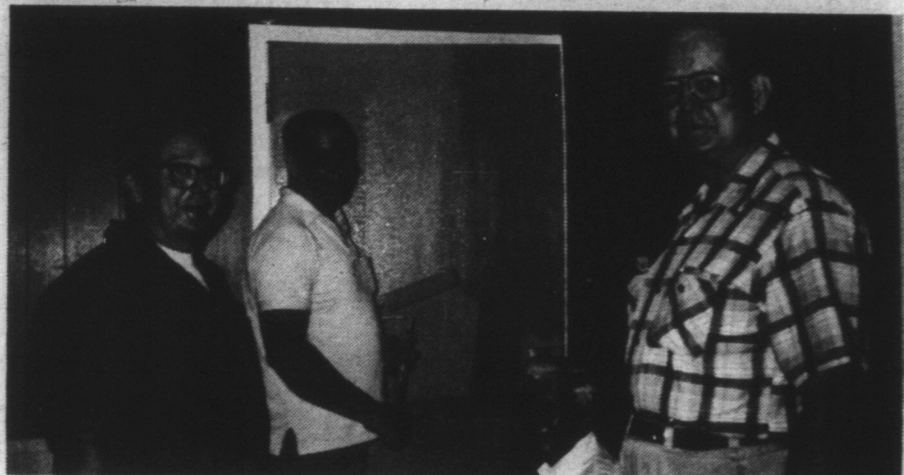
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## Missions In Mississippi

For ten years Cleve and Hazel Dawsey have spent two weeks each summer assisting Karl McGraw, Director of Properties at The Baptist Children's Village in supervising repairs in cottages on the India Nunnery Campus (in Hinds County between Jackson and Clinton). The Dawseys, members of Unity Baptist Church, Pearl River Association are also instrumental in motivating volunteers and financial gifts for The Village.



Shown, left to right are, Rev. Don Windham, Mr. Hugh Wade, Mr. Pete Landrum and Mr. Cleve Dawsey painting and repairing a room in Foster Cottage.

Rev. Windham is currently a member of Union Baptist Church, Pearl River Association. He is a licensed minister and recent graduate of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

Misters Wade and Landrum are both members of Gumpod Baptist Church in Pearl River Association. They have worked for four summers at The Village. Mr. Landrum is retired and Mr. Wade is a truck driver. They gladly spend vacation time helping the Village get ready for

## Back To School



HOUSEPARENTS have a variety of assignments. Mrs. Betty Doty normally supervises children as a houseparent but on July 30 gladly assisted in food preparation for the Pearl River work project group.

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## Faces And Places

by anne washburn mcwilliams

### "Stop! and let me tell you . . ."



Due Edwards leads pledge to the United States flag.

"I am the bread of life; he that cometh to me shall never hunger." Carmen led a roomful of children in learning this memory verse, August 5, at Rebelwood Apartments in Jackson.

Due led a chorus, "Stop! and let me tell you . . ." Angela told a missionary story, and Anita told a Bible story, each about the Bread of Life. The theme the day before had been the Good Shepherd.

Then Anita, with visual aids, explained the plan of salvation, beginning with asking the children for a definition of sin.

The four girls held five-day Good News Clubs this summer in Rankin, Hinds, and Scott counties, in apartment complexes, trailer parks, back yards, and city parks.

Due Edwards and Carmen Mashburn were commissioned by the Pelahatchie Baptist Church; Angela Thrash and Anita Lawrence were commissioned by the Leesburg Baptist Church of Rankin County to serve with Christian Youth in Action as summer home missionaries. They were sponsored by the Central Mississippi Child Evangelism Chapter. (Mrs. Sally Stevens, member of Pelahatchie Baptist Church, director.) Their expenses were paid jointly by Child Evangelism Fellowship and the Rankin County churches.

According to Mrs. Stevens, the Good News clubs are similar to Big A clubs, with the difference that all their Scriptures, stories, and songs are geared around presenting the plan of salvation: "God loves you, you have sinned, Christ died for you, repent and believe on the Lord Jesus, and be saved."

### Group to form mission to Catholics

WESTCHESTER, Ill. (EP) — Fundamentalists Christians who have chosen the proselytism of Roman Catholics as their ministry met recently in Westchester, Illinois, to form an alliance of "fundamentalists

Though the four girls who worked in the clubs in Rankin, Hinds, and Scott, are Baptists, the Child Evangelism Fellowship is interdenominational and non-racial. Consequently, they were able to witness to both black and white children, and those from homes of various denominations, including Mormons. (Jehovah's Witnesses refused to let their children attend.) Many, they found, came from homes affiliated with no church at all.

The four girls, who will be in Clarke and Hinds Junior College this fall, were at the first of the summer training intensively for eight days and nights by Child Evangelism staff at a workshop in Birmingham.

In Birmingham they practiced, going with a partner, to do one-to-one witnessing.

At Rebelwood Apartments, because of the large number of children, they held two hour-long clubs each morning, August 3-7, and then in the afternoons led another club at Sykes Apartments, Jackson.

They have found few children this summer, they said, who could tell them what sin is, or had ever even heard of it.

That morning at Rebelwood, four children made public professions of faith. One of the girls counseled with each of them. "They are taught to be so careful in witnessing," said Mrs. Stevens. "If a child cannot answer the question, 'Why did you come?' then they repeat the story of Jesus and pray with the child that he or she will come to know him (in future). Many come, perhaps for attention, and these

winning Roman Catholics to Christ." The group chose the name Association of Fundamentalists Evangelizing Catholics, and decided to restrict membership to dispensational, anti-charismatic Christians.



Angela Thrash tells a missions story.



Anita Lawrence tells a Bible story.

girls are very cautious to give no one 'false assurance.' But if the child seems really to want to trust Jesus and to understand the way, then they

## Volunteers rebuild Saragosa

By Ken Camp

SARAGOSA, Texas (BP) — Texas Baptist volunteers have erected the first new house in this western Texas town destroyed by a tornado May 22, and plans are being made to rebuild the entire community Aug. 24-Sept. 11.

Included in the rebuilding plan is an around-the-clock building effort by volunteers on Labor Day weekend, Sept. 4-7.

Up to 450 Texas Baptist volunteers will take part in the building project, in which as many as 60 homes are expected to be rebuilt. Among the laborers will be 75 to 100 retired couples who work regularly with Olen Miles and the Texas Baptist Men Retiree Builders.

A group from Woodway First Baptist Church, Robinson First Baptist Church and First Baptist Church, all of Waco, erected the first house at Saragosa July 29-Aug. 2. They were assisted by two Varones Bautistas, or

pray with the child, and the child goes then to tell someone that Jesus has come into his or her heart."

During five weeks, the girls witnessed to around 250 children, and 50 or 60 of them made public professions of faith. The average age to make profession of faith was nine; more boys came than girls.

Some of the apartments have asked that this program for the children be carried on through the winter.

Carmen Mashburn asks questions about the memory verses.



Volunteers are needed for this — even for just one hour a month. Training would be necessary and for those interested, Mrs. Stevens said she would lead a workshop. She lives at 880 Gulde Shiloh Road, Brandon, and may be contacted by phone after 5 at 854-8914.

Also she said that the four girls are available to present slides of their summer work and to share their testimonies.

Hispanic Baptist Men, from Dallas. Their labor provided a two-bedroom home for Sophia Gomez, a 60-year-old widow who is bringing up two children.

The home was prefabricated on the parking lot at Woodway and raised on-site by the volunteers. Most of the materials used in building the house were donated by Waco-area merchants, and other materials were purchased by churches in Waco Baptist Association.

Two Texas Baptist couples from Second Baptist Church in Lake Jackson were working on a one-bedroom Red Cross model home that was expected to be completed by Aug. 15. A group of Mennonite families from Kansas are erecting a three-bedroom home that also is being built with Red Cross funds.

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